in the Hindustan Times' of 30th June, 1985 regarding highhandedness of the hoodlums holding monthly season tickets in assaulting a professor and his wife in the Allahabad-bound Triveni Express; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government in the matter and also to ensure the safety of the passengers and to curb such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. *(See below)* Statement

The subject 'Public Order' and 'Police' are in the State list of the Vllth Schedule of the Constitution. It is, thus, constitutionally the responsibility of the State Governments to ne-force law relating to the offences.

As per the information received from Government of Uttar Pradesh, Shri Ram Vilas Mishra, Professor of Mathematics, Rewa University, was travelling with his wife, two daughters and a son in 70 Down Triveni Express Train on 28-6-85. When the train left Charbag at 16.30 hrs. some Monthly Season Ticket holders also entered in the same compartment and over the question of sitting with the family of Prof. Mishra, started misbehaving with them. On objection by Shri Mishra, the M.S.T. holders started beatng iand plundering be belonging of Shri Mishra and his family members. Seeing the danger to their lives, Shri Mishra pulled out his Revolver and fired 2 shots. As a re-sul. one culprit died on the spot and one of his co-culprits was injured. After the firing, the culprits stopped the train near Dilkusha at about 16.45 Hrs. and pulled out Shri Mishra and started beating him and also snatched his revolver. But some passengers intervened and saved Shri Mishra and restored his revolver from the culprits, which was handed over to the Police. Deputy Superintendent of Police, Railway and Inspector In charge of G.R.P. Police Station, Charbagh, Lucknow reached the place of incident at once with Force and controled the situation. A case under Sectioi^s 39|5/p07/3Oi7/323/354.'IFC was registered. As per the report, one of the culprits died on the spot and seven others have been arrested who are in Jail. The case is presently under investigation.

Generally G.R.P. Guards are pos ted on night trains only. Therefore, no Police Escorts were available on 'the Triveni Express on the fateful day of incident, as this train leaves Lucknow at about 16.30 Hrs. during day time. But keeping in view this incident, one Company of P.A.C, and sufficient G.R.P, staff has been deputed by the State Government to check the activies of M.S.T. holders and by re questing the District Rail Administra tion some Ticket Collectors have also been put on duty. The whole staff has been divided in several groups to check and guard the trains from the activities of MST holders. In addi tion to this, plat-form staff and Train Guards on duty, have also been put on alert in this matter.

Earmarking of certain percentage *nt* market loans to Gujarat for projecte of national importance

*928. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from Gujarat Government for earmarking 20 per cent of the market loans during the Seventh Plan period for financing inter-State multi-purpose river-valley projects of national importance like Narmada project;

(b) if so, what decision has been taken in this regard; and

t Previously Unstarred Question 73 transferred from the 23rd July, 1985

(c) whether his Ministry have any alternate proposal for raising resources for such projects of national importance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) After due consideration of various relevant factors, the proposal has not been found feasible.

(c) Within the total availability of resources estimated for financing the Plans of the States, it is for the State Governments concerned to accommodate the requirements of project like the Narmada Project on the basis of relative priorities assigned to such projects by them.

Festival of India at Paris and London

t929. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state what amount of money was spent by Government to organise the Festival of India at Paris ′and London?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): The Festival of India was recently inaugurated in France on 7th June, 1985. It is a year long programme in France continuing till June, 1986. The Government of India is likely to spend approximately Rs. 200 lakhs on the Festival of India in France. An expenditure of Rs. 1,76,85,456 was incurred on the Festival of India in London.

Review of the decision to make atombomb

f930. SHRI SYED AHMED HASHMI:
SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to review their previous decision to make atom bomb in the country: and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY. SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL)[1]: (a) Gov-rnment's policy on utilisation of nuclear energy continues to be the same as before.

(b) Does not arise.

"Catalyst" for improved processing of petroleum etc.

% 931. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Petroleum (CSIR Laboratory) have developed an advanced "Catalyst" for improved processing, *ot* petroleum crude and Petro-Chemicals;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for the industrial production of this "Catalyst"; and

(c) if so, what is the position at present and by when the production

† Previously Unstarred Question 108 transferred from the 23rd July. 1985-

† Previously Unstarred Question 236 transferred from the 24rd July, 1985.

† Previously Unstarred Question 549 transferred from the 29th July, 1985.